

House Resolution No. 2458

Whereas, it is with utmost respect that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their daily legislative endeavors in order to recognize those Show-Me State residents who truly embody the concept of Outstanding Missourian through their deeds and achievements; and

Whereas, R. Dwain Hammons of Stockton, Missouri, has attained distinction for unparalleled, selfless contributions to his local community, this state, and our great nation; and

Whereas, long associated with Hammons Products Company, the black walnut business founded by his father in 1946, Dwain Hammons served as President and Chief Executive Officer from 1973 to 1997 when he passed the presidential leadership mantle on to his son; and

Whereas, recipient of numerous awards, honors, and accolades, Dwain Hammons has garnered an enviable reputation as Mayor of Stockton from 1966 to 1970; Alderman from 1960 to 1966; life member, past President, and Melvin Jones Fellow of the Stockton Lions Club; member, choir member, past choir director, past board chairman, and finance chairman for Stockton United Methodist Church; founder of the Stockton Recreation Association golf and country club; chair and queen contest founder for the Stockton Black Walnut Festival; member of the Stockton Airport Board; volunteer at the local, district, and council levels of the Boy Scouts of America; member of the 1983 Governor's Task Force on Rural Economic Development; executive board member and district director of the Missouri State Chamber of Commerce; member of the Board of Directors of Empire District Electric Company; member of the Board of Directors of the Southwest Missouri State University Foundation; and Advisory Board member of the Southwest Missouri State University School of Business, Drury College Breech School of Business, and University of Missouri School of Forestry, Fisheries and Wildlife; and

Whereas, on Monday, May 5, 2003, Dwain Hammons will meet with state legislators in the Missouri House of Representatives to receive well-deserved honors and accolades for the exemplary role he has performed in the Stockton area as a true community leader:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the significant contributions made by Dwain Hammons on behalf of the people and institutions of Missouri and to extend to him this legislative body's most heartfelt welcome to the state capitol on May 5, 2003, for special recognition as a guest in the House Chamber; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of "Outstanding Missourian" R. Dwain Hammons of Stockton, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Ronnie Miller
District No. 133
Joined by the Entire House Membership

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2458, adopted May 5, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker